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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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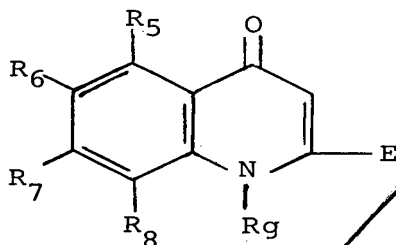
Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application
as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Amend claim 1 as follows:

--1. (Amended) A compound of formula I,



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in which an adjacent pair of R₅, R₆, R₇ and R₈,
form a chain --COCH=CE-O-, and the remainder of R₅, R₆, R₇
and R₈, which may be the same or different, [each represent]
are sterically compatible substituents selected from hydrogen,
hydroxy, alkyl, halogen, alkenyl, alkoxy, [or] and -NR₁R₂
in which R₁ and R₂, which are the same or different, are
each hydrogen or alkyl,